

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are essential to Idaho's healthcare system, providing high-quality, cost-effective anesthesia care; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs are anesthesia specialists who administer approximately 85 percent of the anesthetics given to patients each year in the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs are the sole anesthesia providers at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Boise, Idaho, and in more than two-thirds of all rural Idaho hospitals, affording these medical facilities obstetrical, surgical, and trauma stabilization capabilities; and

WHEREAS, Idaho CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered: Traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms; the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, and plastic surgeons; ambulatory surgical centers; and U.S. Military and Public Health Services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim that January 20-26, 2008 be

IDAHO NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 18th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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